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Lombards

Kingdom of Lombards in
Italy was established 568-774

568

Leovigild (568 → 586) a very capable soldier, thoroughly established his personal ascendancy over the nobles, united the minor Suevoic kingdoms, and recovered Andalusia, which had been occupied by Justinian's officers.

568

The Lombards under Alboin invade
Italy.

568

In 568, fifteen years after the Gothic Wars, a new barbarian group was overrunning the Italian peninsula.

The Langobards (long-axes?), or, to adopt at once the more familiar form of their name, the Lombards, were a backward division of those various tribes associated with the Gothic name. They never came prominently into

collision with the Empire; but about the
close of the 5th cen. they had pushed their
way to the middle Danube. Toward
the middle of the 6th cen (c550) they broke
the domination of the HERULI and the GEPIDAE
in alliance with the AVARS, a Mongolian
race who had pushed into Hungary;
they provided Horses with mercenary
troops for his campaigns against the
Ostrogoths; like Alaric and Theodoric, the
attraction of Italy appealed to their King ALBOIN

568/569

Kingdom of Toledo

LEOVIGILD's assumption of the
kingship; rebirth of the Visigothic
kingdom.

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hombards

Almost entire exarchate of
the Byzantines was conquered
Kingdom of the Lombards
in Italy ~~568-5~~ 568 - 774
established.

~~543~~ 568

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ALBOIN(? → 573) ^{Lombards} destroyed
kingdom of the GEPIDAE on the
lower Danube.

He led the LOMBARDS
(Lombards) into Italy, which he
conquered as far south as the
Tiber

568 n 569

After LEOVIGILD had come to power in 568
n 569 the Visigothic kingdom rose like
a phoenix from the ashes. • Leovigild's
reign saw the conclusion of a development
that turned the Visigothic regnum into
a Spanish imperium. In Spain emerged
the most complete successor state to the
Roman empire, a perfect replica in its
strength and weaknesses

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490

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LONG OBARDI (LOMBARDS)

A German people who settled on the lower Elbe at the beginning of the Christian Era and apparently in the 5th Century migrated to the regions of the Danube, where they became converts to ARIANISM. They were conquered by the HERULAE but overthrew them in 490. In 566 they destroyed the GEPIDAE. Took possession

of Pennonia, In 568 under ALBOIN, they invaded Italy, in the northern part of which they easily established themselves making PAVIA, their Capital. Influenced by Gregory the Great and by their remarkable Queen THEODELINDA, they accepted the Roman Catholic form of the Christian faith. In 774 the Lombard Kingdom was made a province of Charlemagne's empire, the Longobardi thereafter becoming merged in the general Italian population.

LOMBARDS invade Italy

Germanic warriors extinguish the imperial power in the peninsula. The last Barbarian invasion of Italy took place in 568. The Lombards, a German people from the lower ELBE, whom Justinian I had allowed to settle in Pannonia and Noricum (present day Hungary and eastern Austria) burst across the Alps, capturing MILAN in 569.

After a siege of PAVIA (lasting 3 yrs), they established a kingdom in the north, with Pavia as the Capital.

The Lombard leader ALBOIN had little difficulty in extending his control over all of northern and central Italy. There was local resentment of imperial taxes & also, underpaid German mercenaries left to defend it.

Rome remained a PAPAL domain. Ravenna and much of the east coast remained in Byzantine hands. In 680, Byzantium finally recognized the kingdom of the Lombards.

568 - 774

Lombards in Italy

AD 568

People from ALTINUM & other
Late Roman towns on the mainland
sought refuge on the lagoon's
island in the face of invasion
by the Lombards, a Germanic
tribe that had been living in
eastern Austria and Hungary

Italy is conquered by Lombards

The Lombards moved into Italy
most of which they soon conquered.
The main kingdom was in the
Po valley.

The Byzantine Empire maintained
only Ravenna & surrounding; Rome
and surrounding, and south
of Italy.